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sengers arriving at all border inspection stations must give proof of absence from infected districts or be detained. Answer and await orders to send.

WYMAN.

LAREDO, TEX., October 2, 1903.

WYMAN, Washington:

Impossible to spare Von Ezdorf at present without upsetting our system of disinfection. No reliable system can be established for giving certificates to passengers bound for United States unless they are issued by reliable men. The men who issue these certificates must be reliable, and must satisfy themselves that the passengers have not been in any infected district during the five previous days.

GUITERAS.

Proposal to stop through passenger traffic from Monterey.

LAREDO, TEX., October 2, 1903.

WYMAN, Washington:

Tabor proposes to stop all through passenger traffic from Monterey through Laredo unless detained in detention camp for ten days. This measure, while severe, will not work much hardship in so far as Laredo is concerned, inasmuch as passengers from Monterey and points south of it can come through Eagle Pass or El Paso. This will do away with necessity for medical inspection recommended in my wire of September 26.

GUITERAS.

Sick Inspection.

LAREDO, TEX., October 3, 1903.

WYMAN, Washington:

Visited sick people all day. Saw 9 suspects and confirmed 5 as yellow fever.

MURRAY, Surgeon.

Inspection of city and hospital, San Antonio.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., October 3, 1903.

WYMAN, Washington:

Inspected city and hospital to-day. Everything satisfactory and quiet. Train crews transfer at Sanchez instead Encinal. Will be in Cotulla to-morrow.

PURNELL.

Six new cases, one death, yellow fever at Laredo—Epidemic spreading in Nuevo Laredo.

LAREDO, TEX., October 3, 1903.

WYMAN, Washington:

To-day's report. Six new cases with 1 death; suspicious cases none; previously reported, 45; total cases to date, 51; total (deaths), 3. Six

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houses, disinfected to-day, with 62 rooms. Will put on two additional mosquito sections to-morrow morning. The situation is about the same. Murray and I believe there is still some hope of controlling the epidemic. The next few days will tell. In twenty-four hours ending to-day at 10 a. m. 6 deaths were reported in Nuevo Laredo. This indicates that the epidemic there is widespread. On the 30th ultimo Doctor Trevino, Vera Cruz, expected on duty at Nuevo Laredo, reported to Murray 300 cases positive plasmodial and 12 total yellow fever, with 9 deaths.

GUITERAS.

Inspection of refugees from Laredo.

OCTOBER 2, 1903.

PURNELL, St. James Hotel, San Antonio, Tex.: :

Wire Bureau whether local authorities are paying attention to refugees who left Laredo on or after September 15, and whether Nolte is looking after same matter. How far down does railroad run from Laredo and return? Wish all information possible from San Antonio, after wiring which proceed in accordance with letter of instructions. Suggest inspection of each principal station from San Antonio to Laredo, and wire from each place you stop on this route, if reason therefor.

WYMAN.

Meeting of San Antonio Board of Health—Quarantine of small towns.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., October 3, 1903.

WYMAN, Washington:

Attended meeting board of health. Business men and railroad officials working harmoniously. Proper attention given refugees. Trains run to Encinal, where crews change. Small towns on road strictly quarantined. San Antonio's quarantine sensible. Sufficiently alert. Nothing suspicious. Nolte has been looking after same matter, but leaves to-night. Will make inspection first possible moment. Telephone communication with surrounding towns extensive. No rumors.

PURNELL.

Six new cases of yellow fever at Laredo—One death at Minera.

LAREDO, TEX., October 3, 1903.

WYMAN, Washington:

To-day's report follows: New cases, 6; deaths, none; suspicious cases, 3; houses disinfected 42, with 115 rooms. Minera reports 1 death, with no new cases; Nuevo-Laredo 4 new cases, making a total of 12 under treatment. Five suspicious cases under observation.

GUITERAS.